

The Revelation of Jesus Christ

An open scroll with Hebrew text is the central focus, illuminated by a warm, golden light. The scroll is unrolled, showing two pages of text. The background is dark and textured, with a large, glowing orb (possibly a sun or moon) visible in the upper right. The overall atmosphere is dramatic and ancient.

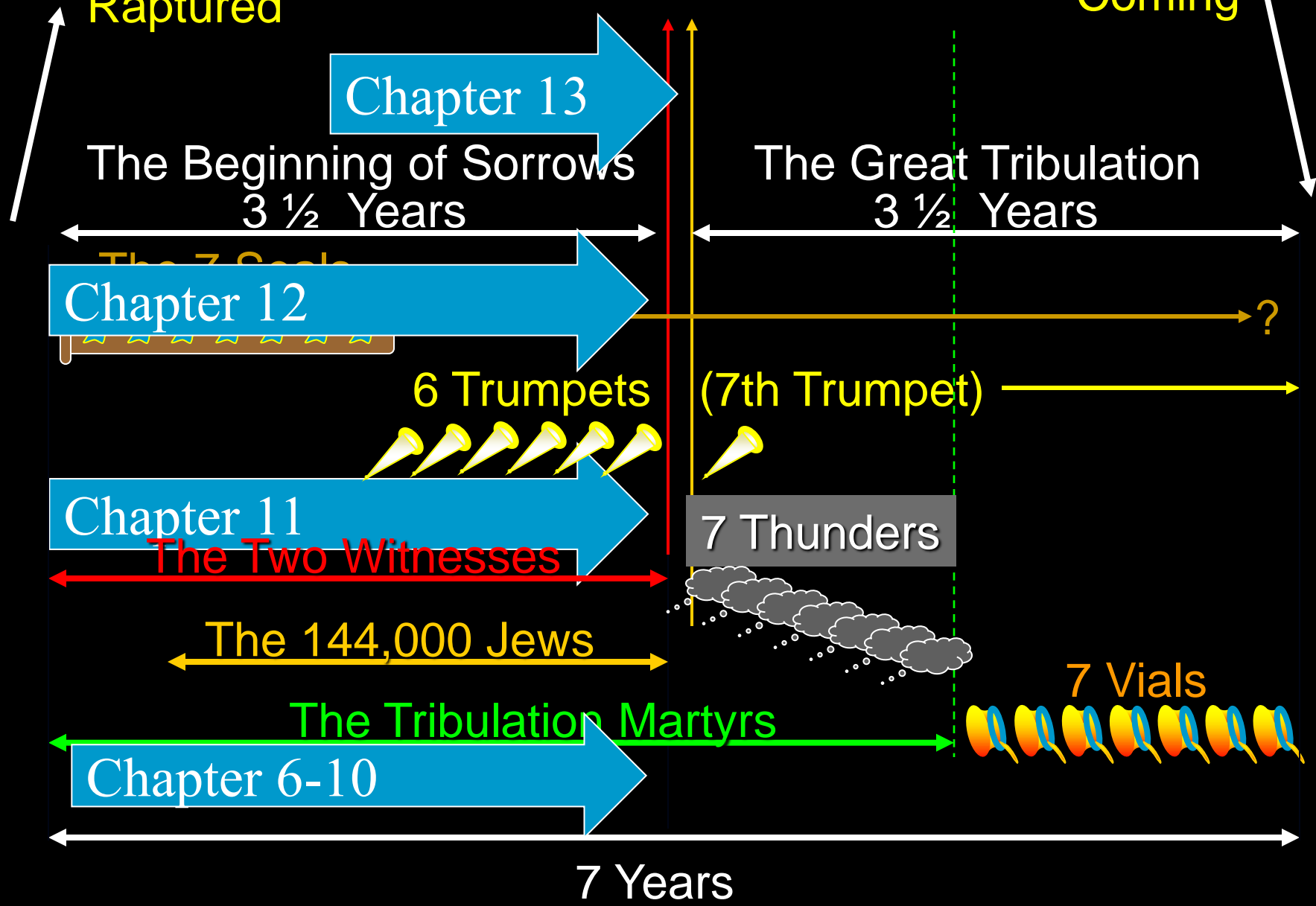
Introduction

- In chapter 13 we are introduced to the Devil's two great protagonists:
- The 'Beast from the sea' v.1
 - aka Antichrist
- The 'Beast from the earth' v.11
 - aka the False Prophet
 - These now complete a list of seven persons that have been revealed:
 - The Woman / The Man-Child / Michael / The Dragon / The 'Saints' / The Sea-Beast / The Land-Beast

The Tribulation

Church
Raptured

Second
Coming



Introduction

- Satan is a deceiver (12v9) and master counterfeiter.
- Now, at the mid-point of the Tribulation, he will attempt to deceive mankind through an unholy trinity,
 - Satan being 'like God';
 - Antichrist 'in the place of Christ',
 - False Prophet assuming a Holy Spirit-like role
 - pointing people to the false Christ.

Introduction

- Satan will now seek to be worshipped by the whole world
 - He is equally happy with those who foolishly play with the occult, Ouija boards, tarot cards, horoscopes, yoga, eastern mysticism and other false religions,
 - or with those who just worship materialism, thinking they are free from religion following their own (Satan-inspired) human natures, with a ‘if it feels good do it’ mentality, blissfully unaware of the consequences of their hedonism.

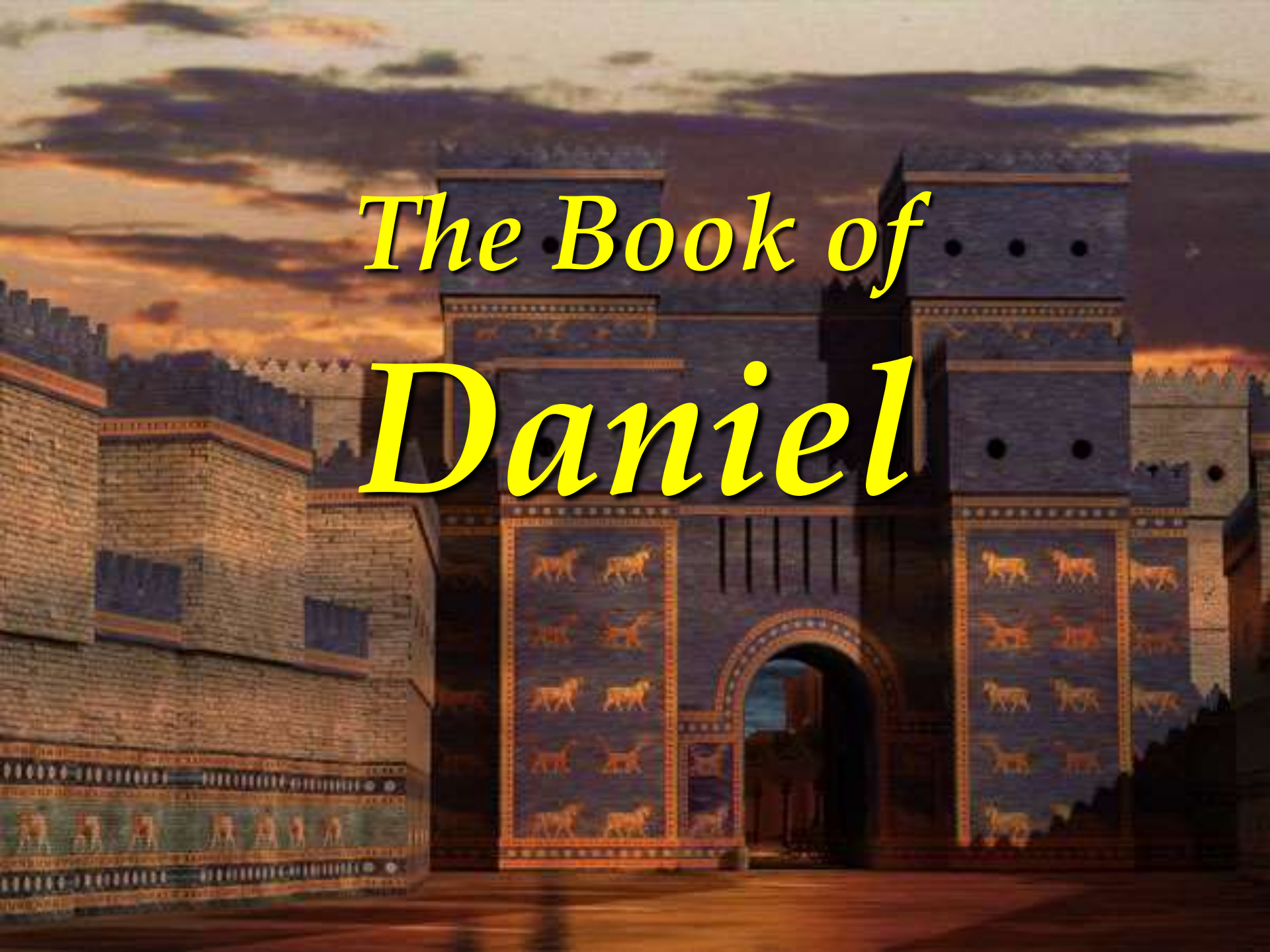
Introduction

- Satan's desire to be worshipped is seen in the most audacious act eternity has ever witnessed!

- 5 And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him **all the kingdoms of the world** in a moment of time.
- 6 And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: **for that is delivered unto me;** and to whomsoever I will I give it.
- 7 If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine.

Luke 4:5-7

- Here we have a *created angel* asking the Creator to worship him!
 - **Talk about delusions of grandeur!**



*The Book of
Daniel*

Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

26 The king answered and said to Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, Art thou able to make known unto me the dream which I have seen, and the interpretation thereof?

27 Daniel answered in the presence of the king, and said, The secret which the king hath demanded cannot the wise men, the astrologers, the magicians, the soothsayers, shew unto the king;

Daniel 2:26-27

Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

²⁸ But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these;

²⁹ As for thee, O king, thy thoughts came into thy mind upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter: and he that revealeth secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to pass.

Daniel 2:28-29

Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

Daniel 2

Gold

Silver

Brass

Iron

Iron + Clay



Babylon

606 BC – 539 BC

Persia

539 BC – 332 BC

Greece

332 BC – 68 BC

Rome I

68 BC – ?

“Rome II”

Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken

Daniel 2:37-43

- It is this divided kingdom we see in Rev 13

Thy Kingdom Come!

⁴⁴And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

Daniel 2:44

Thy Fourth Beast

The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

Daniel 7:23-24

The 10 Horns

- Horns typically symbolize strength
- It is no surprise they are idiomatically used to depict kingdoms.
- Out of the old Roman empire will come a ten-kingdom world empire,
 - but of which three 'kings' will fall before Antichrist
- The identity of the ten horns is again confirmed in Rev 17:12-13

The 10 Horns

- ¹² *The ten horns.... are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.*
- ¹³ *These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast."*

Revelation 17:12-13



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Chapter 13

The Un-holy Trinity

1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

Revelation 13:1

- Two options:
- 1) John is now transported in his vision to the earth to see this incredible sight – the reference to the ‘sand of the sea’ alluding to the reality of this
- 2) It is the Dragon who has now been cast out of heaven & who now orchestrates these events

¹ And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

Revelation 13:1

- The sea (the gentile nations)?
- 7 Heads – the 7 world kingdoms
- 10 horns – the 10 ‘kings’ who will rule under Antichrist

Seven Kingdoms

The background of the slide is a collage of ancient civilizations. On the left, there's a dark, rocky structure that looks like a natural rock formation or a ruin. In the center, there's a classical building with many columns, possibly a temple or a palace. On the right, there's a large, golden-brown pyramid, likely the Great Pyramid of Giza. The overall color palette is warm, with browns, oranges, and yellows.

- 1) *Egypt*
- 2) *Assyria*
- 3) *Babylon*
- 4) *Medo-Persia*
- 5) *Greece*
- 6) *Rome*
- 7) *10 Kings*

¹ And [the dragon] stood upon the sand of the sea, and [I John] saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

Revelation 13:1

- The names (plural) of blasphemy upon the heads (plural)
- The heads represent the empires of the world...
- ..all of which claimed a title that belonged to Jesus Christ alone!

The Sovereignty of God

¹ Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.

Romans 13:1

¹¹ Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above:

John 19:11

2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

Revelation 13:2

- This beast will be an amalgamation of all the previous world empires, with all of their idolatry and excesses
- The power of Satan will come upon Antichrist.

Names of the Beast

- Old Testament: 33 Titles

- Adversary Psa 74:8-10
- Assyrian King Isa 10:5,12
- Belial Nahum 1:15
- Bloody and Deceitful Man Psa 5:6
- Branch of the Terrible Ones Isa 25:5
- Chief Prince Ezek 38:2
- Crooked Serpent Job 26:13

Names of the Beast

- Cruel One Jer 30:14,23
- Destroyer of the Nations Jer 4:7
- Enemy Psa 55:3
- Evil Man Psa 140:1
- Head Over Many Countries Psa 110:6
- Head of Northern Army Joel 2:20
- Idol Shepherd Zech 11:16-17

Names of the Beast

- King of Princes Hos 8:10
- King of Babylon Isa 14:11-20
- Little Horn Dan 7:8-11,21-26;8:9-12,23-25
- Man of the Earth Psa 10:18
- Cunning Canaanite Hos 12:7
- Mighty Man Psa 52:1
- The Peg Isa 22:25

Names of the Beast

- Prince That Shall Come Dan 9:26
- Prince of Tyre Ezek 28:2-10
- Profane Prince of Israel Ezek 21:25-27
- Proud Man Hab 2:5
- Rod of God's Anger Isa 10:5
- Seed of the Serpent Gen 3:15

Names of the Beast

- Son of the Morning Isa 14:12
- Spoiler, Destroyer Isa 16:4,5
- Vile Person Dan 11:21
- Violent Man Psa 140:1,10,11
- Wicked, Wicked One Psa 9:17;
10:2,4; Isa 11:4;
- Willful King Dan 11:36

Names of the Beast

- **New Testament: 13 Titles**
- Angel of the Bottomless Pit Rev 9:11
- Antichrist, (Pseudo-Christ) 1 Jn 2:18, 22
- Beast Rev 11:7; 13
- False Prophet Rev 13
- Father of the Lie Jn 8:44; 2 Thess 2:11
- Lawless One 2 Thess 2:8

Names of the Beast

- **New Testament: 13 Titles**
- Man of Sin 2 Thess 2:3
- One Come in His Own Name Jn 5:43
- Prince of Darkness
- Son of Perdition 2 Thess 2:3
- Star Rev 8:10; 9:1
- Unclean Spirit Mt 12:43
- Vine of the earth Rev 14:18

The Man of Sin

- He will be an intellectual genius:
 - Dan 7:20; 8:23; Ezek 28:3.
- • He will be an oratorical Genius:
 - Dan 7:20; Rev 13:2.
- • He will be a political genius:
 - Dan 11:21.
- • He will be a commercial genius:
 - Dan 8:25 / 11:38; Rev 13:17; Ps 52:7; Ezek 28:4,5.

The Man of Sin

- He will be a military genius:
 - Dan 8:24; Rev 6:2; Rev 13:4; Isa 14:16.
- He will be a governmental genius:
 - Rev 13:1, 2; 17:17.
- He will be a religious genius:
 - 2 Thess 2:4 (“Allah”?); Rev 13:3,14,15.
- See also: Ps 10, 52, 55; Isa 10,11,13,14; Jer 49-51; Zech 5; Rev 18.

³ And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

Revelation 13:3

- The heads represent the world empires,
- The ruler of the last will be Antichrist,
- It is this 'head' that is 'wounded to death'
- Satan will then stage a mock resurrection
- This satanic sign will deceive the world and cause them to follow Antichrist.

4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?

Revelation 13:4

- This will herald a One World Religion
- This means that all the other religion's of the earth will have to be put down
 - More on that in ch 17 & 18!
- Who can make war with him?
- Jesus Christ!

⁵ And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.

Revelation 12:5

- 42 months = 3 ½ years
- This will be the last 3 ½ years
 - aka The Great Tribulation

6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

Revelation 12:6

- We will be dwelling in heaven at this time!

7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

Revelation 12:7

- These saints cannot be the Church because Jesus said: *“I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it”* - Matthew 16:18
- These saints will be those who come to faith during the tribulation
- Although they are called saints they are not part of the Church

War on the Saints

²⁵ And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Daniel 7:25

War on the Saints

²⁶ But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

²⁷ And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

Daniel 7:26-27

8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

9 If any man have an ear, let him hear.

Revelation 12:7-9

- Note that this phrase does not end with “what the Spirit says to the churches!”
- Because the church is not in this scene
- The Church is now in Heaven

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Revelation 12:7-9

- Is it:
- 1) the *names* were written from the foundation of the world?
- 2) The *Lamb was slain* from the foundation of the world?

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Revelation 12:7-9

- Some argue it's not fair that God chooses those who are to be saved.
- This the age-old argument of Predestination vs Free Will.
- Did God predestine us or do we choose?

- 8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.
- 9 If any man have an ear, let him hear.

Revelation 12:7-9

- Accept Jesus and you'll discover that your name was written from the foundation of the world!
- Reject Jesus and you'll discover that your name is not written in the Lamb's book of life!

10 He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

Revelation 13:10

11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

Revelation 13:11

- Now we are introduced to a second beast.
- Two is the number of witness or testimony
- Being like a lamb he is trying to deceive by appearing to be like the true Lamb of God.
- When he opens his mouth we are no longer in any doubt where he is coming from!

12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

Revelation 13:12

- Here we have the completion of the Satanic trinity.
- This 2nd beast is called the 'False Prophet' in Rev 19:20.

13 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

Revelation 13:13-14

The Tribulation

Church
Raptured

Second
Coming

The Beginning of Sorrows
3 ½ Years

The Great Tribulation
3 ½ Years



**MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT,
THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND
ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH**



**Ten Kings
Ruling
under
Antichrist**

7 Years

¹⁵ And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

Revelation 13:15

- This image will be placed inside the newly rebuilt Temple
- Yet more 'miracles' to deceive the world
- No doubt these scenes will be broadcast on CNN / Sky News / BBC News 24 etc.

The Son of Perdition

- ³ Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;
- ⁴ Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

2 Thess 2:3-4

16 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

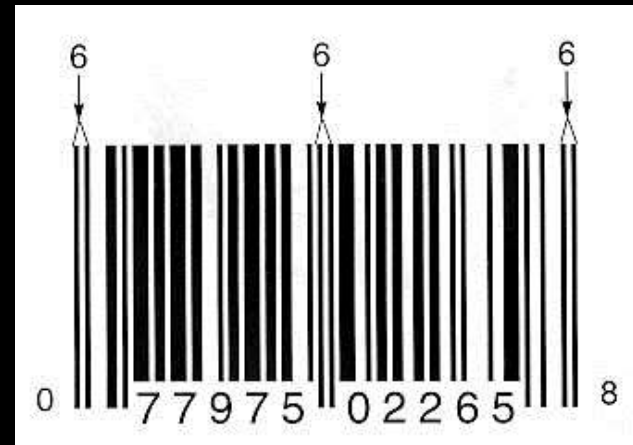
Revelation 12:16-17

Symbol of Allegiance

- 3 Forms of Identification will be acceptable:
 - The mark or
 - The name of the beast, or
 - The number of his name

Symbol of Allegiance

- Many have speculated on this “mark”



Symbol of Allegiance

- A microchip? (for buying and selling)
- A name tattooed on the right hand or forehead?
- Whatever this is, it is clear that whoever receives this mark will seal their own eternal destiny...
- ...for no one taking this mark will be able to also take the name of Christ

Symbol of Allegiance

- Could it simply be an outward mark of loyalty to the Beast?
- Notice how the mark is *personally* associated or representative of the beast or antichrist:
- Rev 14:9 "**his** mark"
- Rev 14:11 "mark of **his** name"
- Rev 15:2 "**his** mark"
- Rev 16:2 "the mark **of the beast**"
- Rev 19:20 "the mark **of the beast**"
- Rev 20:4 "**his** mark"

18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.

Revelation 12:18

- This is the infamous '666'
- 6 is the number of man
- This will become clear when the time arrives
- Antichrist will not be revealed until the Church has been raptured. (2 Thes 2:3-8)

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To be continued...